

1 answered in the negative, and the method would advance to step 182. In step 182, some or
2 all of the non-essential functions of the client system would be disabled when the grace
3 period expires without verification of the authorization of the server system, thereby
4 preventing the client from receiving selected resources from the server.

5 The present invention may be embodied in other specific forms without departing
6 from its spirit or other essential characteristics. The described embodiments are to be
7 considered in all respects only as illustrative and not restrictive. The scope of the invention
8 is, therefore, indicated by the appended claims rather than by the foregoing description. All
9 changes which come within the range of equivalency of the claims are to be embraced
10 within their scope.

11 What is claimed and desired to be secured by United States Letters Patent is: